

Tuesday, March 9, 1999

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2441–S2464

Measures Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 567–571. **Page S2455**

Education Flexibility Partnership Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 280, to provide for education flexibility partnerships, taking action on the following amendments/motions: **Pages S2459–64**

Pending:

Jeffords Amendment No. 31, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S2459–64**

Bingaman Amendment No. 35 (to Amendment No. 31), to provide for a national school dropout prevention program. **Page S2459**

Lott (for Jeffords) Modified Amendment No. 37 (to Amendment No. 35), to provide all local educational agencies with the option to use the funds received under section 307 of the Department of Education Appropriations Act, 1999, for activities under part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. **Page S2459**

Gramm (for Allard) Amendment No. 40 (to the language in the bill proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 31), to prohibit implementation of “Know Your Customer” regulations by the Federal banking agencies. **Page S2459**

Jeffords Amendment No. 55 (to Amendment No. 40), to require local educational agencies to use the funds received under section 307 of the Department of Education Appropriations Act, 1999, for activities under part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. **Page S2459**

Kennedy/Daschle motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions with instructions to report back forthwith with the following amendment: Kennedy (for Murray/Kennedy) Amendment No. 56, to reduce class size. **Page S2459**

Lott (for Jeffords) Amendment No. 58 (to the instructions of the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions), to provide all local educational agencies with the option to use the funds received under section 307 of the Department of Education Appropriations Act, 1999, for activities under part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. **Page S2459**

Lott (for Jeffords) Amendment No. 59 (to Amendment No. 58), to provide all local educational agen-

cies with the option to use the funds received under section 307 of the Department of Education Appropriations Act, 1999, for activities under part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. **Page S2459**

During consideration of this bill today, the Senate took the following action:

By 55 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 35), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on Jeffords Amendment No. 31, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S2464**

A second motion was entered to close further debate on Lott (for Jeffords) Modified Amendment No. 37 (listed above) and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion could occur on Thursday, March 11, 1999. **Page S2464**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Wednesday, March 10, 1999, with a vote on the motion to close further debate on the Kennedy/Daschle motion to recommit, with instructions (listed above), to occur at 1 p.m., and immediately following that vote, if not invoked, Senate will vote on a motion to close further debate on Kennedy (for Jeffords) Modified Amendment No. 37 (listed above). **Pages S2459–60**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report of the 1999 Trade Policy Agenda and 1998 annual report on the Trade Agreements Program; referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM–13). **Page S2453**

Transmitting the report of the National Endowment for the Arts for calendar year 1997; referred to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources. (PM–14). **Pages S2453–54**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—35)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:30 a.m., and adjourned at 3:14 p.m., until 12 noon on Wednesday, March 10, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2459.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Bureau of Reclamation, after receiving testimony from Patricia J. Beneke, Assistant Secretary for Water and Science, Eluid L. Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, both of the Department of the Interior; and Joseph W. Westphal, Assistant Secretary for Civil Works, Lt. Gen. Joe N. Ballard, Chief of Engineers, and Maj. Gen. Russell L. Fuhrman, Director of Civil Works, all of the Department of the Army Corps of Engineers.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Justice, after receiving testimony from Janet Reno, Attorney General of the United States, Department of Justice.

U.S.-AFGHANISTAN POLICY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations held hearings on United States policy toward Afghanistan, focusing on security, refugees, and women, receiving testimony from Karl F. Inderfurth, Assistant Secretary for South Asian Affairs, and Julia V. Taft, Assistant Secretary for Population, Refugees, and Migration Affairs, both of the Department of State; Zohra Rasekh, and Holly Burkhalter, both of Physicians for Human Rights, Boston, Massachusetts; and Mavis Leno, Feminist Majority Foundation, Los Angeles, California.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

U.S. TERRORISM POLICY

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on United States Government policies and programs to combat terrorism from Richard A. Clark, Special Assistant to the President and National Coordinator for Security, Infrastructure Protection and Counterterrorism, National Security Council.

Also, committee concluded hearings to examine United States Government policies and programs to combat terrorism, after receiving testimony from

John J. Hamre, Deputy Secretary of Defense; and Gen. Joseph W. Ralston, USAF, Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs.

INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on International Trade and Finance concluded oversight hearings on International Monetary Fund reform issues, focusing on transparency and accountability, effectiveness, market-based terms for financial support, the Treasury task force, and policy and program design in Brazil, Indonesia, Korea, and Thailand, after receiving testimony from Timothy F. Geithner, Under Secretary of the Treasury for International Affairs; and Patrick A. Mulloy, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Market Access and Compliance; and Catherine L. Mann, Institute for International Economics, Gerald P. O'Driscoll, Jr., Heritage Foundation, Ian Vasquez, Cato Institute, and Willard A. Workman, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, all of Washington, D.C.

POST ELECTION CAMBODIA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded hearings on issues relating to post election Cambodia, including national reconciliation, democratic development, rival political parties, Khmer Rouge accountability, and U.S. consultation and aid policy, after receiving testimony from Ralph L. Boyce, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; and Sichan Siv, International Republican Institute, and Andrew Wells, Asia Pacific Center for Justice and Peace, both of Washington, D.C.

U.S.-IRAQ POLICY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs held hearings on the United States' policy toward Iraq, receiving testimony from Beth Jones, Principal Assistant Secretary of State for Near East Affairs.

Hearings recessed subject to the call.

DECEPTIVE MAILINGS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued hearings to examine the nature and impact of sweepstakes run by certain major companies, focusing on their increasingly deceptive and aggressive marketing techniques, receiving testimony from Naomi Bernstein, American Family Enterprises, Tampa, Florida; Deborah J. Holland, Publishers Clearing House, Port Washington, New York; Elizabeth Valk Long, Time, Inc., New York, New York; and Peter Davenport, Reader's Digest Association Inc., Marion, Ohio.

Hearings recessed subject to the call.

INTERSTATE ALCOHOL SALES

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings to examine issues relating to interstate alcohol sales, including labeling, quality control standards, consumer fraud, and access of alcohol by minors, as well

as proposed legislation that will permit the Attorney General of a State to file an action in federal court for an injunction to stop illegal shipment of alcohol, receiving testimony from Representatives Ehrlich, Millender-McDonald, Radanovich, and Thompson; Utah Assistant Attorney General Wayne Klein, Salt Lake City; Stephen Diamond, University of Miami

School of Law, Coral Gables, Florida; Brendan Brogan, Ridgewood, New Jersey, on behalf of the Mothers Against Drunk Drivers; John A. DeLuca, Wine Institute, San Francisco, California; and Michael Ballard, Savannah-Chanel Vineyards, Saratoga, California.

Hearings recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 1030–1046; 1 private bill, H.R. 1047; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 45–48, and H. Res. 99, 101–102, were introduced. **Pages H1068–70**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 808, to extend for 3 additional months the period for which chapter 12 of title 11 of the United States Code is reenacted, amended (H. Rept. 106–45); and

H. Res. 100, providing for consideration of H.R. 800, to provide for education flexibility partnerships (H. Rept. 106–46). **Page H1068**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Bliley to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1021**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:03 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H1025**

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

National Endowment for the Arts: Message wherein he transmitted his annual report of the National Endowment for the Arts for fiscal year 1997—referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce; and **Page H1029**

Trade Agenda and Agreements: Message wherein he transmitted his 1999 Trade Agenda and the 1998 annual report on the Trade Agreements Program—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. **Pages H1028–29**

Suspensions: The House debated motions to suspend the rules and postponed votes on the following measures until Wednesday, March 10:

Nursing Home Resident Protection Amendments: H.R. 540, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to prohibit transfers or discharges of residents of nursing facilities as a result of a voluntary withdrawal from participation in the Medicaid Program; **Pages H1029–33**

Bankruptcy Relief Extension for Certain Family Farmers: H.R. 808, amended, to extend for 3

additional months the period for which chapter 12 of title 11 of the United States Code is reenacted; **Pages H1033–36**

Expressing Support for Free Elections in Indonesia: H. Res. 32, expressing support for, and calling for actions in support of, free, fair, and transparent elections in Indonesia; and **Pages H1036–41**

Human Rights Abuses in China and Tibet: H. Con. Res. 28, amended, expressing the sense of Congress that the United States should introduce and make all efforts necessary to pass a resolution criticizing the People's Republic of China for its human rights abuses in China and Tibet at the annual meeting of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights. **Pages H1041–48**

Memorial Services for the Late Hon. Harry A. Blackmun: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 45, providing for the use of the catafalque situated in the crypt beneath the rotunda of the Capitol in connection with memorial services to be conducted in the Supreme Court Building for the late honorable Harry A. Blackmun, former Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. **Page H1048**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H1021.

Re-Referral: H.R. 809, to provide for reform of the Federal Protective Service, was re-referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. **Page H1033**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H1070–74.

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT,
FDA APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related

Agencies held a hearing on the Food Safety and Inspection Service. Testimony was heard from Catherine Woteki, Under Secretary, Food Safety, USDA.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the Fish and Wildlife Service. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service of the Department of the Interior: Jamie Rappaport Clark, Director; and Gary V. Seccucci, Budget Officer.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the Secretary of Education, and on Elementary and Secondary Education, Bilingual Education and Minority Language Affairs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Education: Richard W. Riley, Secretary; Judith Johnston, Acting Assistant Secretary, Elementary and Secondary Education; Delia Pompa, Director, Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Languages Affairs.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on Aviation Financing, and on Air Traffic Control Modernization. Testimony was heard from the following officials of GAO: Susan Irving, Budget Issues Group; Susan A. Poling, Associate General Counsel; Gerald Dillingham, Transportation Issues Group; and the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General; Jane F. Garvey, Administrator, FAA; Peter Basso, Jr., Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs, Chief Financial Officer; and Monte R. Belger, Deputy Administrator, FAA; and public witnesses.

TREASURY-POSTAL SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held a hearing on the FEC. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FEC: Scott E. Thomas, Chairman; Darryl R. Wold, Vice Chairman; and Danny L. McDonald, Commissioner.

MILITARY PRIVATIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities held a hearing on the Military Housing Privatization Initiative and the privatization of military utility systems. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Randall Yim, Deputy Under Secretary (Installations); Mahlon Apgar, IV, Assistant Secretary, Army (Installations and Environment); Duncan Holaday, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Navy (Installations and Facilities); and Jimmy Dishner, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Air Force (Installations).

LITTORAL WARFARE PROTECTION AND SHIP RECAPITALIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Procurement held a hearing on littoral warfare protection and ship recapitalization. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Navy: Rear Adm. Michael G. Mullen, USN, Director, Surface Warfare Division (N86); Michael Hammes, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Navy, Ship programs (Research, Development and Acquisition); Maj. Gen. Dennis T. Krupp, USMC, Director, Expeditionary Warfare Division (N85), Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps; Brig. Gen. Jan C. Huly, USMC, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Plans, Policy, and Operations, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps; and a public witness.

SCHOOL DISCIPLINE

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families held a hearing on School Discipline: What's Happening in the Classroom. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FOREIGN RELATIONS AUTHORIZATION: REFUGEES AND MIGRATION

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Foreign Relations Authorization for fiscal year 2000–2001: Refugees and Migration. Testimony was heard from Julia V. Taft, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration, Department of State; and public witnesses.

RESOURCE PROTECTION

Committee on Resources: Held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 701, Conservation Reinvestment Act of 1999 and H.R. 798, to provide for the permanent protection of the resources of the United States in the year 2000 and beyond. Testimony was heard from Representatives Dingell and Maloney of Connecticut; Jack Caldwell, Secretary, Department of Natural Resources, State of Louisiana; Bernadette Castro, Commissioner, Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, State of New York; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

EDUCATION FLEXIBILITY PARTNERSHIP ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote a modified closed rule providing for one hour of general debate on H.R. 800, Education Flexibility Partnership Act of 1999, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. The rule waives clause 4(a) of rule XIII (requiring a three-day layover of the committee report) against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment process shall not exceed 5 hours. The rule makes in order the Committee on Education and the Workforce amendment in the nature of a substitute

now printed in the bill as an original bill for the purpose of amendment, which shall be considered as read. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Congressional Record. The rule provides that each amendment printed in the Congressional Record may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed or his designee, and each amendment shall be considered as read. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Goodling and Representatives Castle Clay, Kildee and Wu.

FIXING THE YEAR 2000 PROBLEM— IMPACT OF LITIGATION

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology and the Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology of the Committee on Government Reform held a joint hearing on The Impact of Litigation on Fixing the Year 2000 Problem. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 717, National Parks Air Tour Management Act of 1999; and H.R. 1000, amended, Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century.

CHALLENGES CONFRONTING OLDER CHILDREN LEAVING FOSTER CARE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on Challenges Confronting Older Children Leaving Foster Care. Testimony was heard from Carol W. Williams, Associate Commissioner, Children's Bureau, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

INTELLIGENCE SUPPORT TO MILITARY OPERATIONS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Military Operations and the Role and Performance of Intelligence in Desert Fox. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

H.R. 433, to restore the management and personnel authority of the Mayor of the District of Columbia. Signed March 5, 1999. (P.L. 106-1)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 1999

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine crop insurance and risk management strategies, 8 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Joint Committee on Taxation, 9:30 a.m., SD-116.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Navy and Marine Corps programs, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Transportation, to hold hearings on Amtrak finance and operational issues, 10 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings on the condition of the services' infrastructure and real property maintenance programs for fiscal year 2000, 9:30 a.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold hearings to examine strategic and tactical lift requirements versus capabilities, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on Airland, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Defense focusing on tactical modernization, and the future years defense program, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business Meeting to mark up S.303, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to enhance the ability of direct broadcast satellite and other multichannel video providers to compete effectively with cable television systems, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine spending trends in the Medicare program, the impact on those trends of Medicare savings in the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, and the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2000 for Medicare, including the fifteen-percent surplus funding proposal, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings on the current human rights situation in Cuba, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Risk Management, Research, and Specialty Crops, hearing on Review of the Federal Crop Insurance Program, 10:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Agencies, on Farm and Foreign Agriculture Services, USAID, 1 p.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary, on the Secretary of State, 10 a.m., 2362 Rayburn, and on The Supreme Court, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Defense, on fiscal year 2000 Air Force Budget, 10 a.m., and executive, on the fiscal year 2000 Air Force Acquisition Program, 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, on the Secretary of Agriculture, 10 a.m., and on Forest Service, 11 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on Vocational and Adult Education, Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Educational Research and Improvement, and Howard University, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, on Quality of Life, 9:30 a.m., B-300 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, on Aviation Safety and Security, 11 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, on Department of Housing and Urban Development, 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on the U.S. policy on Iraq, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on pharmacy redesign and TRICARE claims processing, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Special Oversight Panel on Morale, Welfare, and Recreation, hearing on morale, welfare and recreation programs and resale activity oversight, 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing on the Exxon-Mobil merger, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, to consider the following: Committee's Budget Views and Estimates for fiscal year 2000 for submission to the Committee on the Budget; a draft report entitled: "A Citizen's Guide On Using the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act of 1974 to Request Government Records"; H.R. 807, Federal Reserve Board Portability Act; and H.R. 858, District of Columbia Court Employees Whistleblower Protection Act of 1999, 10 a.m., to be followed by an oversight hearing on Cardiovascular Disease: Is the Federal Government Doing More Harm Than Good? 11 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on House Administration, to consider the following: Omnibus Committee Funding Resolution; and other pending business, 12 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, full Committee, to mark up H. Con. Res. 24, expressing congressional opposition to the unilateral declaration of a Palestinian state and urging the President to assert clearly United States opposition to such a unilateral declaration of statehood, 10 a.m., and to hold a hearing on the U.S. Role in Kosovo, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, oversight hearing on the reauthorization of the Independent Counsel Act, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, oversight hearing on putting consequences back into juvenile justice, Federal, State, and local efforts, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, to continue hearings on the following bills: H.R. 701, Conservation Reinvestment Act of 1999 and H.R. 798, to provide for the permanent protection of the resources of the United States in the year 2000 and beyond, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Task Force on Warner Creek, oversight hearing on Warner Creek Timber Sale, 11 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider the following: H. Con. Res. 42, Peacekeeping Operations in Kosovo Resolution; and H.R. 819, Federal Maritime Commission Authorization Act of 1999, 3:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Energy and the Environment, oversight hearing on fiscal year 2000 Budget Authorization Request: Department of Energy—Offices of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Fossil Energy, and Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology, 3 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing on S. 314, Small Business Year 2000 Readiness Act, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 700, Airline Passenger Bill of Rights Act of 1999; H.R. 780, Passenger Entitlement and Competition Enhancement Act of 1999; and H.R. 908, Aviation Consumer Right To Know Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to consider Committee's Budget Views and Estimates for fiscal year 2000 for submission to the Committee on the Budget, 3 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Veterans Health Administration capital asset planning, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up H.R. 975, to provide for a reduction in the volume of steel imports, and to establish a steel import notification and monitoring program, 10:30 a.m., followed by a hearing on Revenue Provisions in the Administration's Fiscal Year 2000 Budget, 11:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

12 noon, Wednesday, March 10

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will continue consideration of S. 280, Education Flexibility Partnership Act, with a vote on a motion to close further debate on Kennedy/Daschle motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with instructions, to occur at 1 p.m., and immediately following that vote, if not invoked, vote on a motion to close further debate on Lott (for Jeffords) Modified Amendment No. 37.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, March 10

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 800, Education Flexibility Partnership Act (modified open rule, 1 hour of debate) and postponed votes on measures debated on Tuesday.

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